


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 Government College.  
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Nov. 16<sup>th</sup>.

My dear Professor.

I owe you an apology for not having previously acknowledged the receipt of the articles and reviews you have very kindly sent me.

I am all the more grateful to you, inasmuch as by my residence in India I am largely cut off from acquaintance with the current learned journals of Europe.

The reason of my delay is that I was trying to obtain an answer to your questions about the Shi'ah doctrine of ~~etc.~~ As I was not competent to answer your questions myself, I consulted a Shi'ah mulla of my acquaintance. I enclose this letter (which please return to me). I am afraid however that it does not answer all your questions.

I am sorry that you have resigned the post of editor of the Encyclopaedia of Islam. It would have been a great pleasure to me

to have taken part in this work under your superintendence.

I remain  
Yours sincerely  
T.W. Arnold.